NATION MOURNS 'MARSE HENRY,' EDITOR AND PATRIOT

NATION'S EDITORS **PAY HIGH TRIBUTE**

Fought Bravely 60 Years. Faced Death Calmly and Fearlessly.

Henry Watterson's achievements as lator and political counsellor receive kigh tribute in editorials in the nation's precs. Some of these follow:

The New York Times: "Col. Watterson, 'who bore and bandied many a gurse of angry times,' died without an enemy. Time had expunged the old resentments. Impulsive, politically tratund, often the victim of his vocabulary and his instinct for salient phrases and marrowy nicknames, he sometimes wounded beyond his intention. He had something of Charles Sumner's curious inability to understand why people copiously lambasted should be dissatisfied with the operation. Withal he was placable and friendly. He had almost as many reconciliations as quarrels."

'EVER A CRUSADER,'

Louisville 'Courier - Journal'

Special Dispaich to The New York Herald.
LOUISVILLE, Dec. 22.—The CourierJournal, the newspaper Col. Watterson
built into worldwide fame, pays the following editorial tribute:
"When death ends a life that has
survived more than four score years
there is usually little of the shock which
follows the cutting short of a career in
the prime of middle age or young manhood. Yet. Henry Watterson never
grew old, either in spirit or intellect.
He retained to the last the virility and
vigor of a remarkable mind, with the
buoyancy and spontaneity of abounding
youth. But for the fact that he closed
his active life work more than three his active life work more than the closed his active life work more than three years ago, the news of his sudden death would come with all the tragic im-pressiveness of a great captain's fall in battle.

"But because he was a great captain in the fields which he made his own the part which he played in the jouralism and the politics of America was so conspicuous that even now the void left by his final exit will be hardly less appreciated by the country than it would have been if the end had come at any period of his activities. For to-day there is no journalist in America whose death would touch so many people, so wide and public, as does that of Henry Watterson. "But because he was a great captain

wide and public, as does that of Henry Watterson.

"In some respects he was the first as well as the last of the great personal editors, for in him blazed a flame of genius lacking in Greeley, Raymond, Gennett, Medill, Halstead and the other grants of the so-called 'old school of journalism.' All of these were eminent journalists in their time. But Mr. Watterson brought to his editorial writing such native gifts that would have won him distinction in other fields that he was really incomparable among those was really incomparable among those with whom it is common to classify

Mr. Watterson first achieved fame, and the fame of no other editorial writer in the history of the American newspaper has ever been more distinctive than his. "An important factor of the success of his editorial writing was the power he put into it; the fervor and power born of

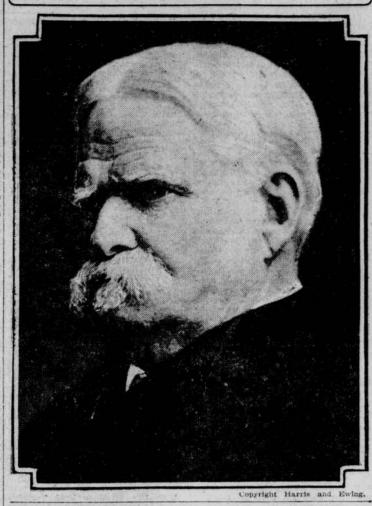
strong conviction and strong purpose. He was ever a crusader in the cause which he had at heart, and in every crusade he entered he threw all his splendid resources. Crusader he was from the time when he fought sectionalism after the war of the sixties, on through his fight against greenbackism, protectionism, prohibitionism and woman suffragism. And when he was in a crusade he was ever, to employ one of his favorite figures, "the man on horseback" ruthlessly riding down opposition, piercing it at times with spear, but oftener cleaving it with broadsword or crushing it with bludgeon.

"It was his habit to pursue one crusade Henry Watterson's achievements as a formed be, for years, concentrating upon it all his powers, pounding upon it all his powers, pou

an opponent most easily confused by rapier tactics, and being able to smash like Greeley when he felt occasion de-manded it."

The Boston Herald: "So long had Henry Watterson played a leading part in the politics and journalism of the United States, so many neat quips and stabbing thrusts had come from his pen, so en-duringly virile was he physically and mentally, that we had come to think of

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German people with the Hohenzollerns and the Hapsburgs gone where they belong, to that very hot place with a very short name."

During ten summers of his late life Col. Watterson spent a short season at Brighton Beach and supplied considerable copy to the New York newspapers in the way of discussion of national and international topics and Sunday afternoon conversation on every subject under the sun. His views—thoroughly Kentuckian views—on prohibition were that to deprive a man of his toddy within reason was an invasion of nis personal rights, a defiance of the United States Constitution, and just short of an insult to the flag. He also felt that the country could stagger along without woman suffrage, but that as it was bound to come there was little use in opposing it.

Eyes Always Troubled.

been something more than suspected by me.

"The most signal dangers of the time seem to me to spring from emotionalism, the inevitable offspring of a state of wer, but with us aggravated by political and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspapers and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspapers and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and diffused into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and the inevitable offspring of a state of wer, but us aggravated by political and military expediency and diffused into into a kind of popular hysteria by newspaper and military expediency and

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In 1908 the sympathy of the country went out to him when his son Harvey died in this city as the result of a fall from the window of an office building. In 1915 he received thousands of congratulatory letters and telegrams on the second of the coulder and the second of the country went to the second of the country went to the second of the country went to the second of the second of the country went to the second of the second of

Except for his imperfect eyesight which always troubled him, Col. Watterson enjoyed sturdy health and made a soild figure of a man. He was short and rather stout, had small feet and hands and was active and restless in manner. His thick chestnut hair, which turned to silver as the years passed over it, shaded a fine high forehead and small gray eyes, which were generally merry and never unkindly. He had a strong nose "inclining to the Roman." a square chin and a resolute law. A thick mustache of the approved drooping pattern, without which no Kentucky Colonel is complete, chaded his firm mouth and powerful teeth.

Conversation was with him at once a recreation and a fine art. He was brisk and nervous in manner, taiked best when walking back and forth across a room and in a friendly or unfriendly discussion was impetuous, forcible and convincing. He talked with whirlwind rapidity and never without brilliancy. His social qualities, as well as the warmth of his heart, earned him countlees friends all over the country and he was almost as well known in Washington and in New York as in Louisville.

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spent in Florida or Texas. In October of this year he presented to the Roosevelt Memorial Association the anti-Roosevelt editorials he wrote for the Courter-Journal. At Roosevelt's death he said: "Cur differences cut no figure in our presence relatives and in the courter-formula and formula in the presence of the courter-formula in the presence of the courter of the courter-formula in the presence of the courter of the courter-formula in the courter of the courter of the courter-formula in the courter of the courter-formula in the courter-formul

from the window of an office building.

In 1915 he received thousands of congratulatory letters and telegrams on the occasion of his golden wedding anniversary, which he and Mrs. Watterson celebrated in New Orleans.

Col. Watterson's best blographer was himself. His paper contained the long and the short of him in its issue of February 16, 1918, his seventy-eighth birthday, when he wrote:

"Since I am giving every day and all my days to the life work which has filled with the state of the canadian artillery, who was killed in action in France September 27, 1918. His living grandchildren are Thomas Black Watterson of Nashville, Austin Gilmore, who is attending Culver Military Academy, and Kent, Milbrey Watterson, Marion T. and Watterson Miller, children of Mrs. Miller.

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